

Sri A. SHANKARA ALVA (Minister for Co-operation).—

- (a) Rs. 1,78,351.09
(From 31-3-1966 to 30-6-1972)
- (b) Rs. 196.86 lakhs
- (c) Rs. 86.12 lakhs
(From 1955-56 to 1964-65).

(Rs. in lakhs)

1969-70	..	32.06
1970-71	..	29.76

From 1969-70	61.82
to 1970-71	

- (d) For developing banking efficiency.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE.

(i) *re : Misbehaviour of a Doctor (Health Unit), Kanakatte*

Sri H. S. SIDDAPPA (Arsikere).—I call the attention of the Minister for Health to the complaint regarding misbehaviour of a Doctor (Health Unit), Kanakatte.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Health).—I state as follows :—

According to the report received till now from the District Health and Family Planning Officer, Hassan, the facts are as follows :—

One Dr. Dharme Gowda has been posted to the Primary Health Centre, Kanakatte against a Lady Medical Officer's post about three months back. The other doctor of this Primary Health Centre is Dr. Hanume Gowda. A complaint was received from Shri M. S. Eswarappa, Member, V. P. Sathanagere on 27th September 1972 and another complaint from Sri S. B. Murulappa, Chairman, Village Panchayat, Sathanagere on 7th November 1972 and in respect of these two complaints the District Health and F.P. Officer, Hassan, conducted a detailed enquiry in the matter on 17th November 1972, after giving advance intimation to all the parties concerned. It is stated that Sri S. B. Murulappa, went to Dr. Dharme Gowda on 27th September 1972 for taking an injection for some skin disease. It is complained that the Doctor used foul language and asked Sri Murulappa to get out and used the words "Rascal, Non-sense", etc. The Doctor has replied during the course of enquiry that it

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was a fact that Sri Murulappa came to his residence on 27th September 1972 during leisure hours and that he asked him to come to the dispensary at 4-00 P.M. and also that he used the word 'get out'. The version of Sri S. B. Murulappa is corroborated by Sri M. S. Eswarappa, V.P. Member who is also stated to have been presented on 27th September 1972 when Sri Murulappa approached Dr. Dharm Gowda for treatment.

It is also brought out during the course of the enquiry that Dr. Dharm Gowda is not courteous towards patients who attend the dispensary and the public have complained against his behaviour and the language used by him before the ladies who attend the dispensary for Family Planning advice. The persons who have spoken to these facts are Sri H. K. Seetharamaiah, V.P. Member, Kanakatte, Sri K. Hanumegowda, Village Panchayat Vice-Chairman, Kasuvanahalli, and incharge Head-Master, High School, Kanakatte and other members of the public of the village. All these people have expressed the need to post a Lady Doctor displacing Dr. Dharm Gowda, who is working against the post of Lady Medical Officer.

It is also stated that Dr. Dharm Gowda administered some drugs to a dog near his house which died within two minutes of the administration of the drugs and when he was questioned about it by some of the villagers, he is said to have stated that he did it for some research work. This has been denied by Dr. Dharm Gowda.

The behaviour of this Doctor towards patients and also unwarranted treatment of the stray dog was also raised in the District Development Council Meeting on 24th November 1972 by the Hon'ble Member Sri H. S. Siddappa. The consensus of opinion of the public as well as the leaders of the area is that this doctor should be transferred immediately and a Lady Medical Officer should be posted in his place.

Further information about the other points raised in the Call Attention Notice is being collected. After the receipt of the full report in respect of these subjects also, suitable action will be taken against this doctor, if the circumstances warrant the same. Further, immediate action is being taken to transfer the Doctor and to post a Lady Medical Officer to Primary Health Centre, Kanakatte.

SRI H. S. SIDDAPPA.—I want to submit to the House that due sympathy towards the Doctor who is mentally affected is also necessary. Since he has served for a long period he may be sent for mental observation at Mental Hospital, Bangalore or to an Expert Surgeon. Further, I submit that the place where the said Doctor is working being a Family Planning Centre where at least 20 to 30

operations are done daily I am afraid if this Doctor is continued even for a moment there, instead of doing family planning operation he may do some other operation.

10.00 A.M.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I do not concede that he is a mental patient because there is no such report before me. It looks as though he has got some abnormalities. I am awaiting for further report in this behalf. However, that Doctor will be transferred from that place immediately and a Lady Doctor in his place will be posted there.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—The Hon'ble Minister stated that the Doctor has some abnormalities. Whether it is physical or mental?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I said it looks as though he has got some abnormalities.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂಮೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ಡಾಕ್ಟರ್ ನಮ್ಮ ಊರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದವರು. ಅವರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ನನಗೂ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ. ಆ ಡಾಕ್ಟರ್ ನಮ್ಮ ಊರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದಾಗ ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ಚಾಕು ಇಟ್ಟು ಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅದನ್ನು ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಪಾನವೀಯತೆ ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ನೋಡಬೇಕು. ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಕಂಪೌರಿ ರಿಟೈರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮಾಡಿದರೂ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯದು ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಅವರು ಫರ್ಡರ್ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟ್ ಕಾರ್‌ಫಾರ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟನ್ನು ಅವೈಟ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Sri K. PRABHAKAR.—The Hon'ble Minister being a lawyer it is not proper to make an experiment by posting that Doctor who is stated to be having some abnormalities to any other place. Let the Doctor become alright for some time. He may as well be posted to some records section where he could do some statistical work or he could be granted leave for some time. If you transfer him to some other place then also it would be troublesome for the people of that area and the same complaints will be received from the public. Therefore I submit that transfer is not a sufficient remedy.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I will bear the suggestion in mind.

Madam SPEAKER.—Now we shall take up the next call attention notice.

(ii) *re : Hardship caused to the industrial workers due to lockout in H.M.T.*

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN (Malleswaram).—I call the attention of the Hon'ble Minister for Labour to the hardship caused to the industrial workers due to lock-out in H.M.T.